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Council Member Lige Daughtridge



Dear Neighbors,

The holidays are a festive time of year when we share special moments with our family, friends and loved ones, and look ahead to a new year filled with promise and opportunity. We reflect upon our many blessings and are grateful for the sacrifices being made by public safety personnel, essential workers and especially the citizens of Rocky Mount.

During this season of hope and joy, I offer my sincere thanks to you for your continued collaboration, cooperation, and support. You are the foundation of Rocky Mount and your active civic engagement contributes significantly to the progress and advancement of our City. I also express my appreciation to all City employees for their dedication, commitment, and service to our community. The outstanding work they perform every day meeting the needs of our neighbors enhances quality of life and exemplifies what building community is all about.

As the New Year approaches, it's hard not to reflect on the challenges we faced this year. 2020 has been a year like no other, but we persevered by providing virtual council meetings, drivethru giveaways, food distribution sites, covid-19 testing and much, much more. I am proud of the way we have come together in the spirit of community to support and uplift each other.

And even with the challenges, it is truly an exciting time to be in Rocky Mount. As we look forward to new and exciting opportunities that lie ahead, I remain committed to leaving no neighborhood behind, and am passionate about working cooperatively with all of you to make Rocky Mount the best place to live, work, play, visit and raise a family.

While the path forward from 2020 may feel uncertain, one thing has never been clearer: To change the trajectory for the better, we must continue to come together, work together, and support each other in building a brighter, safer, more just future we can all share.

CITY NEWS

Beginning on Monday, December 14, 2020, Rocky Mount City Council meetings will be livestreamed utilizing the CITY-TV 19 YouTube page

(https://www.youtube.com/user/CITYTV19) in addition to the city of Rocky Mount's Facebook page (https://www.facebook.com/citybeat), which has been the primary host for live viewing.

For viewers who cannot watch the live meetings (7 p.m. on the second Monday of each month, 4 p.m. on the fourth Monday of each month), CITY-TV 19 will broadcast three replays via cable provider Suddenlink the following Wednesday of each meeting. Replays will air from 5-7 a.m., 5-7 p.m., and 9-11 p.m. Committee of the Whole meetings (5 p.m., second Monday of each month) will also be streamed live on YouTube; however, due to the City's limited timeslots on CITY-TV 19, Committee of the Whole meetings will not be replayed.

We encourage residents to subscribe to the CITY-TV 19 YouTube page and follow the city's Facebook page to stay connected and receive the latest news and information. Links to each of the city's social media pages are located at the bottom of the city's homepage, rockymountnc.gov.

CALENDAR

Monday, Dec. 14 / 5 p.m.

Committee of the Whole Meeting

Monday, Dec. 14 / 7 p.m. City Council Meeting

Both meetings are held in the George W. Dudley City Council Chamber, third floor Frederick E. Turnage Municipal Building

The city of Rocky Mount has been made aware of scammers who are contacting citizens offering a redevelopment grant up to \$200,000 that does not have to be repaid. Citizens should note that these calls are not in any way affiliated with the city of Rocky Mount. Citizens who believe they have been a victim, may file a complaint with the Federal Trade Commission online at ftc.gov or call 1-877-282-4357. To report a scam attempt, call the Health and Human Services Fraud Hotline at 1-800-447-8477.



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